

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
STATESVILLE DIVISION**

RAMONA WINEBARGER and REX WINEBARGER,
Plaintiffs,

**CASE NOS. 5:15CV57-RLV;
3:15CV211-RLV**

v.
BOSTON SCIENTIFIC CORPORATION,
Defendant

MARTHA CARLSON,
Plaintiff,

v.

BOSTON SCIENTIFIC CORPORATION
Defendants

**PLAINTIFFS OBJECTIONS AND COUNTER DESIGNATIONS TO DEFENDANT
BOSTON SCIENTIFIC'S COUNTER DEPOSITION DESIGNATIONS OF
JAMES GODDARD TAKEN MARCH 28/29, 2013**

BSC Counter Designation	Objection	Plaintiffs Counter Designation to BSC Counter Designation
<p>jg032813, (Pages 185:19 to 188:4) 185</p> <p>19 Q. That Boston Scientific feels like 20 the current specifications and design is adequate 21 to control this failure mode and the effect from 22 it, right? 23 MR. ANIELAK: Object to the form. 24 A. It's put in there to control the 186</p> <p>1 design feature. So we're utilizing the product 2 spec. It indicates the mesh design feature such 3 as pore size, and that's what's being controlled</p>		

<p>4 here.</p> <p>5 Q. Okay. And then as far as the</p> <p>6 recommended actions to control poor tissue</p> <p>7 ingrowth which causes a failure of erosion,</p> <p>8 exposure, dehiscence and necrosis is what,</p> <p>what</p> <p>9 do they recommend as far as any</p> <p>recommended</p> <p>10 actions. None, right?</p> <p>11 A. No, the company believed that we</p> <p>12 had enough knowledge at this point based</p> <p>upon</p> <p>13 mesh design, previous use of mesh,</p> <p>published</p> <p>14 literature that this product specification</p> <p>15 characterizing the pore size was an adequate</p> <p>16 control.</p> <p>17 Q. Again, my question is, their</p> <p>18 recommended action for this failure mode</p> <p>was</p> <p>19 none, correct?</p> <p>20 A. Yes, it was none based upon the</p> <p>21 knowledge base that we had at the time.</p> <p>22 Q. Boston Scientific had the ability</p> <p>23 to develop lighter weight mesh or develop</p> <p>larger</p> <p>24 pore size mesh and market that themselves</p> <p>if they</p> <p>187</p> <p>1 had wanted to prior to this, didn't they?</p> <p>2 MR. ANIELAK: Object to form.</p> <p>3 A. They had a knowledge base to --</p> <p>4 Q. I'm sorry.</p> <p>5 A. -- to go with a wide, a very broad</p> <p>6 design.</p> <p>7 Q. Right.</p> <p>8 A. And the mesh design that we</p> <p>9 initially chose to proceed with was Polyform.</p> <p>10 And if you look at the design of Polyform at</p> <p>the</p> <p>11 time that it was commercialized, it was a</p> <p>large</p> <p>12 pore knit mesh, it was a lightweight mesh</p> <p>13 relative to other products that were on the</p> <p>14 market, so it fit the criteria against</p> <p>published</p> <p>15 literature around these types of mesh</p> <p>implants</p> <p>16 and what has done well, what was safe and</p> <p>17 effective.</p>	<p>186:22-</p> <p>187:22</p> <p>FRE 403,</p> <p>Cumulative</p>	
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<p>18 Q. It was the heaviest mesh as opposed 19 to others on the market, wasn't it? 20 A. No. 21 Q. It wasn't? 22 A. No. 23 Q. It was one of the heaviest ones 24 that was being used in prolapse kits at the time, 188 1 wasn't it? 2 A. No. 3 Q. Are you sure about that? 4 A. Yes.</p>		
<p>jg032913, (Pages 481:3 to 485:4) 481 3 Q. Good afternoon, Jim. Why don't you 4 tell the jury a little bit about yourself? 5 A. I am married living in 6 Massachusetts here. I have two daughters and a 7 grandchild at this point. I've been living in 8 Massachusetts for about 20 years it's been. 9 Q. And describe your educational 10 background? 11 A. My educational background. I have 12 an engineering degree, specifically in plastics 13 engineering, that I completed in 1984. 14 Q. And the plaintiffs previously 15 marked as Deposition Exhibit No. 43 a copy of a 16 description of your work experience; is that 17 right? 18 A. Yes. 19 Q. Describe a little bit about what 20 your employment history is, where you've worked 21 and what positions you've held? 22 A. This document contains a work 23 history that spans from 1987 to present, and that 24 basically covers the time that I've spent within 482 1 the medical device industry. So I started with 2 CR Bard back in 1987, worked on various feeding 3 products as well as angioplasty balloons, stayed</p>	<p>BSC has previously designated the same testimony. Plaintiffs adopt and incorporate any objections as set forth in their counter- designations, if any.</p>	<p>Plaintiffs adopt and incorporate their counter designations, if any.</p>

<p>4 there for about six years, and then moved on to</p> <p>5 Vision Sciences which is a company that developed</p> <p>6 proprietary endoscope devices. In that regard, I</p> <p>7 worked on the disposable device that was</p> <p>8 associated with that proprietary technology.</p> <p>9 From there -- after spending about five or six</p> <p>10 years there, I went on to Eligix in which I was</p> <p>11 involved or managed the development of the</p> <p>12 disposables component used for that cancer</p> <p>13 therapy process, and subsequently moved on to</p> <p>14 Boston Scientific in 2003.</p> <p>15 Q. And I'm going to jump in there.</p> <p>16 When you started at Boston Scientific in 2003,</p> <p>17 what division did you come into, where did you</p> <p>18 start working?</p> <p>19 A. I worked at the urology women's</p> <p>20 health division in Boston Scientific.</p> <p>21 Q. And what products are covered by</p> <p>22 that division, what types of research and</p> <p>23 development goes on in that division?</p> <p>24 A. There are basically for that</p> <p>483</p> <p>1 division two key types of products, pelvic</p> <p>floor</p> <p>2 repair type products, midurethral slings as</p> <p>well</p> <p>3 as pelvic organ prolapse and, also, the</p> <p>4 gynecology type product which is the system</p> <p>that</p> <p>5 treats abnormal uterine bleeding.</p> <p>6 Q. And when you started at Boston</p> <p>7 Scientific in 2003, what position were you</p> <p>hired</p> <p>8 into?</p> <p>9 A. I was hired as a senior R & D</p> <p>10 engineer.</p> <p>11 Q. And is that still your current</p> <p>12 position?</p> <p>13 A. No.</p> <p>14 Q. And what position do you have</p> <p>15 today?</p> <p>16 A. Currently I'm an R & D manager</p> <p>and</p> <p>17 have held that since 2005. In --</p>		
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<p>18 Q. Go ahead.</p> <p>19 A. In that role I'm the functional</p> <p>20 manager for R & D engineers that work on</p> <p>21 products, specifically for the pelvic floor</p> <p>22 franchise.</p> <p>23 Q. So describe what the difference is</p> <p>24 between when you were the senior R & D</p> <p>engineer</p> <p style="text-align: center;">484</p> <p>1 in 2003 to 2005 to when you became a</p> <p>manager in</p> <p>2 2005. Functionally how did your</p> <p>responsibilities</p> <p>3 change?</p> <p>4 A. Okay. As a senior R & D engineer,</p> <p>5 someone in that role would be definitely</p> <p>having</p> <p>6 more of a hands-on involvement with the</p> <p>design</p> <p>7 and development of the product, so they</p> <p>would be</p> <p>8 generating and evaluating prototypes,</p> <p>completing</p> <p>9 some of the testing or directing the</p> <p>completion</p> <p>10 of testing, generating documentation and</p> <p>that</p> <p>11 sort of thing within that product</p> <p>development</p> <p>12 cycle.</p> <p>13 As a functional manager, again, I</p> <p>14 manage the engineers that are associated</p> <p>with</p> <p>15 those tasks, so I will not be so hands-on but</p> <p>16 provide guidance around those activities and</p> <p>17 basically prioritize some of their activities as</p> <p>18 well.</p> <p>19 Q. And when did your role change</p> <p>from</p> <p>20 being the more hands-on engineer on</p> <p>projects to</p> <p>21 being more in a management role, when did</p> <p>that</p> <p>22 transition occur?</p> <p>23 A. About the same time that I</p> <p>received</p> <p>24 that title which was 2005.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">485</p> <p>1 Q. How many -- approximately how</p> <p>many</p>		
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<p>2 engineers do you manage in your research and 3 development group? 4 A. Currently six.</p>		
<p>jg032913, (Pages 487:16 to 488:7) 487 16 Q. When Boston Scientific puts a team 17 together to develop a new product, why does it 18 involve -- why does it get a cross-functional 19 team in place, what is the purpose of that? 20 A. Well, the R & D group does not 21 possess all the knowledge and the skills to be 22 able to develop these products, so we really need 23 to be able to utilize that type of knowledge and 24 information and have that type of input to bring 488 1 these products to market. 2 Q. And when you say these products, 3 would that -- cross-functional teams, would they 4 be put in place for the R & D efforts 5 consistently across product development in your 6 experience? 7 A. Yes.</p>	<p>BSC has previously designated the same testimony. Plaintiffs adopt and incorporate any objections as set forth in their counter- designations, if any.</p>	<p>Plaintiffs adopt and incorporate their counter designations, if any.</p>
<p>jg032913, (Pages 488:13 to 495:2) 488 13 Q. I want to talk about POP or pelvic 14 organ prolapse. In general, what is your 15 understanding of that condition? 16 A. That's a condition where through 17 childbirth and other potential causes there is 18 some connective tissue that is no longer holding 19 the pelvic organs in place satisfactorily, and 20 the devices that we have developed provide the 21 physician with an option for treating that type 22 of condition? 23 Q. And at Boston Scientific what 24 devices have you been involved with the research 489 1 and development efforts of that have ultimately 2 become commercialized?</p>	<p>BSC has previously designated the same testimony. Plaintiffs adopt and incorporate any objections as set forth in their counter- designations, if any.</p>	<p>Plaintiffs adopt and incorporate their counter designations, if any.</p>

<p>3 A. That would include the Pinnacle and 4 Uphold devices. 5 Q. I want to talk generally about the 6 process of research and development of a new 7 product like the slings or the treatments, the 8 devices for pelvic organ prolapse. In general 9 what are the steps to bring a product through the 10 research and development process? 11 A. There's a very thorough process, 12 and at a high level we collect input to help 13 design or define what that design should be, then 14 verify that design and ultimately validate, and 15 in collecting that input per se, we're working 16 closely with physicians, and specifically with 17 Solyx and the Pinnacle and Uphold, these were 18 products that were brought in to BSC as far as an 19 idea, a design that these physicians had in mind. 20 So Dr. Mamo brought to us that Solyx idea. The 21 Uphold product was something that Dr. Goldberg 22 had developed on his own, in looking at a way to 23 create a mesh shape that would work best for a 24 hysteropexy procedure, and Dr. Miller brought</p> <p style="text-align: center;">490</p> <p>1 forth an idea around the placement of the arms of 2 the mesh profile in the sacrospinous ligament. 3 So in those products or programs, 4 we worked closely with those physicians to 5 further develop that idea, and we also brought in 6 multiple other physicians to also take a look at 7 how we were approaching this, just to confirm 8 that we were hearing from these one or -- you</p>		
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<p> 9 know, one physician that brought the idea that 10 that makes sense, and the way we proceed with 11 that is through bioskills labs, which are working 12 with cadavers basically, and our frequency in 13 doing that would happen almost once a month or so 14 to iterate that process. So a lot of that 15 information goes into the input documents, if you 16 will. We create a market specification, a 17 product specification. We start our risk 18 management aspects of it. So we look at if we're 19 moving toward this design what potential failures 20 could occur. So we start assessing that early on 21 to make sure that we put the controls in place to 22 minimize the risk associated with that. 23 Q. You described one of the initial 24 stages of product development for the slings that </p> <p style="text-align: center;">491</p> <p> 1 we talked about or the pelvic floor prolapse 2 repair kits is the inputs or specification stage. 3 What is that? What happens at that particular 4 stage of R & D? 5 A. That's where we're taking the voice 6 of the customer information which ends up in 7 our -- we create a market specification around 8 that. So that's listening to customers to 9 understand what kind of features they're looking 10 for in a kit such as this. From an R & D 11 perspective we then take that more generalized 12 terms that are inserted into a market spec and 13 translate them to more engineering terms, so 14 dimensions or strengths and things like that or 15 specifically calling out the biocompatibility 16 testing that needs to be done. </p>		
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<p>17 Q. You mentioned certain doctors like 18 Dr. Mamo or Dr. Miller or Dr. Goldberg with 19 respect to Solyx, Pinnacle and Uphold 20 respectively. Are there other doctors that were 21 involved with those products at the 22 specification, at the very early stages about 23 what the designs of the products might look like?</p> <p>24 A. Yes, absolutely. So we -- as I 492</p> <p>1 mentioned, we begin the bioskills lab very early 2 on. At that point we're bringing in multiple 3 physicians to give us feedback. 4 Q. What is the next stage? After 5 you've obtained feedback and gathered information 6 from doctors about what the product 7 specifications might look like, what's the next 8 phase of research and development at Boston 9 Scientific?</p> <p>10 A. Basically at that point we're 11 looking to take that input document and derive a 12 design, a finalized design on that, and we call 13 that phase basically freezing the design. We do 14 some initial testing and show that, yes, we have 15 pretty good confidence that we'll meet the 16 product spec requirements that we put in place. 17 Subsequent to that we're into the verification 18 phase of the design, so we build product and we 19 do the testing, the biocompatibility testing, the 20 general performance testing, which could be 21 tensile testing to see how strong things are, the 22 flexibility, those types of mechanical testings 23 to characterize and make sure that, again, we're 24 building a product that meets the specifications</p> <p>493</p>		
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<p>1 that were generated based upon physician input.</p> <p>2 So it's a connective process to make sure that</p> <p>3 all that information is brought through.</p> <p>4 And then once we get through the</p> <p>5 verification process, we go back to the basically</p> <p>6 upfront again, and we say, okay, we've built this</p> <p>7 product, and we're putting it back in the hands</p> <p>8 of physicians, and we're asking them to come in,</p> <p>9 work with us, again in the similar-to-use</p> <p>10 environment, the cadavers, to take this product</p> <p>11 that we're pretty close to getting ready to</p> <p>12 commercialize. We've completed all our</p> <p>13 verification testing, we have our designs</p> <p>14 completed, please give us the final feedback that</p> <p>15 you can confirm that we're hitting the mark here.</p> <p>16 Q. And the bioskills labs are -- who</p> <p>17 would attend those, who generally goes to those</p> <p>18 bioskills lab?</p> <p>19 A. It is the people that are on the</p> <p>20 project team will be working closely with the</p> <p>21 physician, so there's typically a number of</p> <p>22 physicians that come and place the mesh product.</p> <p>23 Q. And in terms of getting medical and</p> <p>24 clinical feedback, how does that happen at these</p> <p>494</p> <p>1 stages of research and development, how are you</p> <p>2 collecting their input?</p> <p>3 A. Their input? Through just</p> <p>4 discussions and questions around the procedure</p> <p>5 and the cadaver labs, but we're also putting in</p> <p>6 front of them what we propose for directions for</p> <p>7 use.</p> <p>8 So we're asking them about the</p> <p>9 procedure. This is what we see as the potential</p>		
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<p>10 effects and complications. This is what we're</p> <p>11 seeing based upon your initial input on the</p> <p>12 procedure steps. Does this make sense, are we</p> <p>13 capturing everything, just to be sure that we're</p> <p>14 having -- putting forth all the information</p> <p>15 needed in that DFU.</p> <p>16 Q. And what is the final stage of R &</p> <p>17 D to bring a product like Uphold or Pinnacle to</p> <p>18 market, what's the final stage?</p> <p>19 A. The final stage is to ensure that</p> <p>20 all the processing, the manufacturing, that shows</p> <p>21 capability; the design validation is in place;</p> <p>22 and then basically, again, we do a very thorough</p> <p>23 paperwork exercise of documenting all of this,</p> <p>24 and we need to make sure that that is there, the</p> <p style="text-align: center;">495</p> <p>1 regulatory clearance is in place for whatever</p> <p>2 region of the world we're distributing it.</p>		
<p>18 Q. I want to talk a little bit about</p> <p>19 Pinnacle now. You mentioned that Dr. Miller was</p> <p>20 originally involved with the idea behind the</p> <p>21 Pinnacle product. Describe for me who Dr. Miller</p> <p>22 is and how he was involved initially?</p> <p>23 A. Dr. Miller is a urogynecologist out</p> <p>24 of -- practicing in Wisconsin, and again, he came</p> <p style="text-align: center;">497</p> <p>1 to Boston Scientific with an idea in mind about a</p> <p>2 way to basically fixate the mesh in the anatomy.</p> <p>3 The sacrospinous ligament was something that was</p> <p>4 already being used as an anchoring point, a</p> <p>5 suturing point for these types of products. The</p> <p>6 tie-down suture potentially is not necessarily</p> <p>7 the best. It could lead to pain and such. So he</p>	<p>496:18-502:16 FRE 403</p>	

<p>8 had an idea of why not bring the mesh through the</p> <p>9 sacrospinous ligament as a fixation point, and he</p> <p>10 was well aware of our Capio device and saw that</p> <p>11 the two could work together to create a</p> <p>12 differentiated product, in the sense that to move</p> <p>13 away from the trocar based, again multiple</p> <p>14 incision-based products, such as Prolift and</p> <p>15 Apogee, Perigee and Bard's Avaulta which were out</p> <p>16 in the market.</p> <p>17 Q. So describe for me that in a little</p> <p>18 bit more detail. What was the idea behind</p> <p>19 Pinnacle as opposed to the trocar-based systems</p> <p>20 that were on the market?</p> <p>21 A. With the Pinnacle device -- I</p> <p>22 should back up and say with the trocar-based</p> <p>23 products that were out on the market, the</p> <p>24 physician is not only making an incision</p> <p style="text-align: center;">498</p> <p>1 vaginally but also having to come from skin</p> <p>2 incisions elsewhere on the body to come in around</p> <p>3 and basically place this mesh product with the --</p> <p>4 and these are blind trocar passages. With the</p> <p>5 Capio device, the physician is only making a</p> <p>6 single incision in the vaginal wall, whether it</p> <p>7 be the anterior side or the posterior, and</p> <p>8 completing his dissection and using the Capio to</p> <p>9 get to those fixating points without the use of</p> <p>10 the blind trocar passages.</p> <p>11 Q. You mentioned that there were two</p> <p>12 products that were being brought together to form</p> <p>13 Pinnacle. What do you mean when you say there</p> <p>14 was two products that were being brought</p> <p>15 together?</p> <p>16 A. As I mentioned, the Capio device</p> <p>17 was something that these types of physicians,</p> <p>18 urogynecologists, gynecologists and urologists,</p>		
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<p>19 were already using for their pelvic surgery, and 20 prior to the development of the Pinnacle and 21 Uphold products, the Polyform mesh sold in the 22 sheet form had already been commercialized and 23 had been on the market for a little while. So we 24 basically took those two technologies to be able</p> <p style="text-align: center;">499</p> <p>1 to provide something that would be utilized in 2 the Capio and provide a single incision approach 3 along with a precut mesh shape? 4 Q. So the Polyform mesh that was being 5 used, ultimately that was used in Pinnacle and 6 Uphold, was already on the market and being 7 commercialized at the research and development 8 stage for Pinnacle and Uphold? 9 A. Yes. 10 Q. Did Dr. Miller remain involved 11 through the R & D process with Boston Scientific? 12 A. Yes, he did. 13 Q. And were there other doctors 14 besides Dr. Miller that were also involved in the 15 research and development efforts of the Pinnacle 16 device? 17 A. Yes, yes. 18 Q. And how would those doctors be 19 involved? How would Boston Scientific obtain 20 their feedback and their input? 21 A. They were brought in. As we 22 produced prototypes to look at different ideas 23 and features, we brought physicians in to use 24 them in the cadaver scenario. So we were looking</p> <p style="text-align: center;">500</p>		
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<p>1 to find out what would be the best approach of 2 delivering this product in the mesh, so the 3 physicians provided us feedback as to, you know, 4 is it passing through the ligament correctly. 5 Once it's placed, do they see that it's placed 6 correctly, it's laying correctly. Those types of 7 things. Is the shape generally where they would 8 expect or want to see it.</p> <p>9 Q. How often do you have those types 10 of bioskills labs, those cadaver labs during the 11 development process? How frequently are you 12 having those?</p> <p>13 A. When we're heavily focussed on that 14 part of it, during that, it's probably about once 15 a month, so that gives us the chance to, you 16 know, have that time with the physicians, get 17 that feedback and then iterate. So we have a few 18 weeks to iterate, make some new prototypes, get 19 some physicians back in again, a new look at the 20 changes that we're making.</p> <p>21 Q. When you use the term iterate, what 22 does that mean?</p> <p>23 A. So basically we would adjust the 24 design based upon the feedback from the 501 1 physicians.</p> <p>2 Q. So you may have a bioskills lab 3 where doctors would come in and use a prototype, 4 and based on their feedback, you may make changes 5 or iterate to the next version?</p> <p>6 A. Yes.</p> <p>7 Q. For Pinnacle to get through the 8 input stage, the verification stage, ultimately 9 get validated and all of the testing and 10 biocompatibility testing that you mentioned, as</p>		
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<p>11 well as all the bioskills lab and the doctor 12 feedback and the host of other requirements, how 13 long does that take to get through that R & D 14 process generally, or in Pinnacle how long did it 15 take? 16 A. About two and a half, three years. 17 Q. And why does it take that long? 18 Why does it take two and a half to three years to 19 get a pelvic floor product from the idea stage on 20 to the market? 21 A. There are basically a lot of 22 knowledge gaps to be filled. So we get some 23 information upfront, we assess it, you know, is 24 this something that we're capable of doing, does</p> <p style="text-align: center;">502</p> <p>1 it make sense, is it going to offer the patient 2 with some value, and then we -- there's just a 3 lot of information that we need to collect to 4 show that this design is going to be the correct 5 design, and based upon that physician input, be 6 what they are looking for. So we -- again, going 7 through those steps is just time-consuming to get 8 there. The testing is not short per se. We also 9 do shelf-life testing which has a certain time 10 period to get completed, so it's not something 11 that can be turned around in a month or two. 12 Q. All of that work with doctors and 13 the testing and the shelf-life testing, all that 14 is being done to come up with a safe and 15 effective device? 16 A. Correct. Absolutely, yes.</p>		
<p>jg032913, (Pages 502:17 to 507:1) 502 17 Q. I want to talk about Uphold now. 18 You mentioned Dr. Goldberg was involved with the</p>	<p>BSC has previously designated the same testimony. Plaintiffs</p>	<p>Plaintiffs adopt and incorporate their counter designations, if any.</p>

<p>19 Uphold device. Who is Dr. Goldberg and 20 how was 21 he involved with that device? 22 A. Dr. Goldberg is a urogynecologist 23 out of Chicago, and he had been using our 24 Repliform product in developing a hysteropexy procedure and subsequently did some procedures</p> <p style="text-align: center;">503</p> <p>1 with Polyform as well, and he basically came to 2 Boston Scientific with this proposed mesh shape 3 using either Repliform or Polyform as a potential 4 kit where a physician could achieve apical 5 support, basically holding up those organs, but 6 also for uterine preservation where a 7 hysterectomy may not need to be done. 8 Q. So what was the need that 9 Dr. Goldberg was trying to satisfy with his idea 10 on Uphold? 11 A. He was looking to be able to do the 12 repair but maintain the uterus in position. 13 Q. And what advantages did Uphold have 14 based to -- strike that. 15 What advantages did Uphold have 16 compared to the trocar-based systems that were on 17 the market prior to that? 18 A. The Uphold product also utilized 19 the Capio device. So the single incision 20 approach was able to be achieved, no blind trocar 21 passage, plus the Uphold basically had mesh only 22 where it was needed, so it was a smaller mesh 23 footprint or amount of mesh that's implanted. 24 Q. Why did Boston Scientific pursue</p> <p style="text-align: center;">504</p> <p>1 both Pinnacle and Uphold? What was the reasoning 2 behind having two different options available? 3 A. The Uphold, again, allows a</p>	<p>adopt and incorporate any objections as set forth in their counter- designations, if any.</p>	
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<p>4 physician to really minimize the amount of mesh.</p> <p>5 The anterior apical is a broader area of mesh to</p> <p>6 be able to support some defects in the other</p> <p>7 areas where the Uphold may not cover.</p> <p>8 Q. Was Dr. -- strike that. Was</p> <p>9 Dr. Goldberg involved with the R & D efforts</p> <p>10 after he came to the company with the idea?</p> <p>11 A. Yes.</p> <p>12 Q. How so?</p> <p>13 A. He was involved with bioskills labs</p> <p>14 as we progressed through that design iteration.</p> <p>15 Q. And were other doctors besides</p> <p>16 Dr. Goldberg brought into the research and</p> <p>17 development process to give their input and</p> <p>18 feedback as well?</p> <p>19 A. Yes.</p> <p>20 Q. And how did that happen?</p> <p>21 A. That was -- typically in these</p> <p>22 bioskills labs we would have more than one</p> <p>23 physician come, so there would be multiple</p> <p>24 physicians potentially that would take a look at</p> <p>505</p> <p>1 the design, provide us with their feedback, and</p> <p>2 we would iterate based upon that.</p> <p>3 Again, our desire to have multiple</p> <p>4 physicians was to verify this direction that</p> <p>5 Dr. Goldberg suggested we go off in and to make</p> <p>6 sense it's going to be a solid option for them to</p> <p>7 use in this procedure.</p> <p>8 Q. How long did the R & D efforts take</p> <p>9 for Uphold from around the time when Dr. Goldberg</p> <p>10 came to the company with the idea until</p> <p>11 ultimately it reached the market?</p> <p>12 A. About three years.</p> <p>13 Q. You mentioned that there were other</p> <p>14 devices on the market to treat pelvic organ</p> <p>15 prolapse, mesh products, prior to the</p> <p>16 commercialization of Pinnacle and Uphold. How</p> <p>17 did those other products on the market impact</p>		
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<p>18 Boston Scientific's development into Pinnacle and Uphold?</p> <p>20 A. We evaluate that in a number of areas. We purchase those products from an R & D perspective and get an understanding of the design features associated with that, so the dimensions on the delivery devices, the mesh</p> <p>506</p> <p>1 configuration, the mesh material, the mesh shape.</p> <p>2 We also look at, as a team, look at the published literature that's been out -- that's out there on these previously marketed devices. The MAUDE database type of information is also collected by team members to look at what type of feedback may be collected there.</p> <p>8 Q. I want to talk a little bit about biocompatibility. What does biocompatibility mean, what is your understanding of that?</p> <p>11 A. My understanding of biocompatibility is really a test or an assessment of how a material affects tissue.</p> <p>14 Q. And did Boston Scientific evaluate the biocompatibility of the mesh contained in its Pinnacle and Uphold devices?</p> <p>17 A. Yes, there are industry standards that are widely recognized that lay out specific tests to be completed based upon how a device is being used.</p> <p>21 Q. And did Boston Scientific conduct tests to determine biocompatibility of its mesh used in Pinnacle and Uphold?</p> <p>24 A. Yes, there's multiple tests that</p> <p>507</p> <p>1 are done.</p>		
<p>jg032913, (Page 507:4 to 507:9)</p> <p>507</p> <p>4 What did Boston Scientific</p>	<p>BSC has previously designated the same</p>	<p>Plaintiffs adopt and incorporate their counter designations, if any.</p>

<p>5 ultimately conclude about the biocompatibility of</p> <p>6 the mesh used in the Uphold and Pinnacle devices?</p> <p>7 A. These materials were found to be</p> <p>8 biocompatibility based upon the test acceptance</p> <p>9 criteria.</p>	<p>testimony. Plaintiffs adopt and incorporate any objections as set forth in their counter-designations, if any.</p>	
<p>jg032913, (Pages 507:11 to 508:8)</p> <p>507</p> <p>11 What is the material that's used</p> <p>12 for the mesh that's in Pinnacle and Uphold?</p> <p>13 A. Polypropylene.</p> <p>14 Q. Do you believe that's an</p> <p>15 appropriate choice for Boston Scientific's</p> <p>16 mesh devices?</p> <p>17 A. Yes.</p> <p>18 Q. Why, why do you believe that's an</p> <p>19 appropriate material?</p> <p>20 A. It is a material that has a long</p> <p>21 history of use not only in many medical</p> <p>22 devices but also for implanted products or</p> <p>23 implanted materials. So it's been in the hernia market.</p> <p>24 There are polypropylene sutures that have been</p> <p>508</p> <p>1 around a number of years as well. And then</p> <p>2 the predicate vaginal meshes were of</p> <p>3 polypropylene for the most part. So we decided that there's</p> <p>4 a body of evidence to suggest that that would</p> <p>5 be an appropriate material. We did our own</p> <p>6 testing to basically confirm that aspect, and that's, you</p> <p>7 know, what supports its use for safety and</p> <p>8 efficacy.</p>	<p>BSC has previously designated the same testimony. Plaintiffs adopt and incorporate any objections as set forth in their counter-designations, if any.</p>	<p>Plaintiffs adopt and incorporate their counter designations, if any.</p>
<p>jg032913, (Pages 512:12 to 513:15)</p> <p>512</p> <p>12 (Exhibit No. 70 was marked</p> <p>13 for identification.)</p> <p>14 Q. (By Mr. Anielak) I've marked as</p>		

<p>15 Deposition Exhibit No. 70 a meeting request; is</p> <p>16 that right?</p> <p>17 A. Yes.</p> <p>18 Q. And if you look at what we call the 19 Bates numbers down in the bottom corner --</p> <p>20 A. Mm-hmm.</p> <p>21 Q. -- you can see that the Bates 22 number for the meeting request ends in 8803. Do 23 you see that?</p> <p>24 A. Yes.</p> <p>513</p> <p>1 Q. And Exhibit No. 51, the agenda, is 2 basically the next Bates number in that order, 3 right --</p> <p>4 A. Yes.</p> <p>5 Q. -- 804. And according to the 6 meeting request that is the document right before 7 the agenda, when did the meeting occur that the 8 agenda is a reference to?</p> <p>9 A. This indicates here the start was 10 on April 6, 2010.</p> <p>11 Q. So the agenda did not relate to any 12 type of meeting that occurred in 2008 as 13 represented by the plaintiffs' lawyer did it?</p> <p>14 MR. MOODY: Objection to form.</p> <p>15 A. That's correct.</p>	<p>513:11-15 Foundation, FRE 403</p>	
<p>jg032913, (Pages 518:12 to 523:16)</p> <p>518</p> <p>12 Q. (By Mr. Anielak) Exhibits 52 and 53 13 reflect some discussions that Boston Scientific 14 had with Proxy in November of 2008. Do you 15 remember that discussion from yesterday?</p> <p>16 A. I do.</p> <p>17 Q. At the time that Boston Scientific 18 was having these discussions with Proxy, were 19 Pinnacle and Uphold on the market?</p> <p>20 A. Yes, they were.</p> <p>21 Q. In terms of the development of the 22 Lite mesh, that timeline, where were these 23 discussions on that timeline of the research and 24 development into Lite mesh?</p> <p>519</p>		

<p>1 A. These were discussing prototypes, 2 so early samples that Proxy was supplying to us 3 to get some feedback on our thoughts on that 4 particular design. So these were initial samples 5 which were then modified to change properties 6 here and there based upon some feedback we 7 provided them, so it's very beginning. We were 8 just starting the process of looking at this 9 alternate, and then it wouldn't -- it followed up 10 with a full scale program to incorporate this 11 mesh material into our pelvic floor repair kit. 12 So as I described earlier, this 13 product would go through the same sequence of 14 events in collecting information from physicians, 15 taking these prototypes, putting them in their 16 hands, getting feedback on, you know, is this 17 performing the same way or as you would expect it 18 to, developing the design specifications, going 19 through the verification process of testing it 20 through biocompatibility, through other 21 performance criteria, functional testing. We 22 completed a regulatory submission for this 23 product. We needed to go through the validation 24 which, again, bringing physicians in to take a</p> <p style="text-align: center;">520</p> <p>1 look at that final design and confirm that this 2 is what they would -- that they gave us a final 3 blessing that it was the product that they would 4 expect to see. 5 Q. Did Boston Scientific commercialize 6 and market the Lite product that was discussed in 7 these documents in 2008? 8 A. Not domestically, no. 9 Q. Okay. Did Boston Scientific -- 10 A. Not international either. I'm</p>		
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<p>11 sorry.</p> <p>12 Q. That's all right. Did Boston</p> <p>13 Scientific market in the United States the</p> <p>14 Lite</p> <p>15 product in 2009?</p> <p>16 A. No.</p> <p>17 Q. Did Boston Scientific market the</p> <p>18 Lite product in 2010?</p> <p>19 A. No.</p> <p>20 Q. Did Boston Scientific market the</p> <p>21 Lite product in 2011?</p> <p>22 A. Not domestically, no.</p> <p>23 Q. And when ultimately in the U.S.</p> <p>24 did</p> <p>25 Boston Scientific market the Lite product?</p> <p>26 A. January 2012. There was some</p> <p>27 521</p> <p>28 manufacturing issues that were realized that</p> <p>29 we</p> <p>30 needed to look at more closely concerning the</p> <p>31 tack weld. Going to the difference in mesh,</p> <p>32 that</p> <p>33 was another area that we needed to look at</p> <p>34 more</p> <p>35 closely.</p> <p>36 Q. Was Boston Scientific in a position</p> <p>37 to commercialize and market the light weight</p> <p>38 mesh</p> <p>39 in the United States in 2008?</p> <p>40 A. No.</p> <p>41 Q. Was Boston Scientific in a position</p> <p>42 to commercialize and market the light</p> <p>43 weight mesh</p> <p>44 product in 2009?</p> <p>45 A. No.</p> <p>46 Q. Was Boston Scientific in a position</p> <p>47 to commercialize and go to market with the</p> <p>48 light</p> <p>49 weight product in the United States in 2010?</p> <p>50 A. No.</p> <p>51 Q. Was Boston Scientific in a position</p> <p>52 in 2011 to market and commercialize the</p> <p>53 light</p> <p>54 weight product?</p> <p>55 A. No.</p> <p>56 Q. When did that ultimately happen?</p> <p>57 A. It ultimately received FDA</p> <p>58 clearance the latter part of 2011, and the</p> <p>59 522</p> <p>60 initial launch domestically was completed in</p> <p>61 early 2012.</p>	<p>521:22-522:2</p> <p>FRE 401,</p> <p>402, 403</p> <p>FDA</p>	
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<p>3 Q. You mentioned the manufacturing 4 issues that the light weight mesh presented. 5 What were those?</p> <p>6 A. Basically the differences in mesh. 7 You've got less surface area with the lighter 8 mesh than there is with the standard mesh, 9 so 10 that affected the tack weld or the capability 11 of 12 producing a tack weld within our 13 specifications.</p> <p>14 So we were able to achieve a design that was 15 capable for Uphold but more difficult with 16 the 17 other designs. Ultimately we incorporated 18 the 19 design change of removing the tack weld 20 and using 21 the polypropylene loop alone for securing 22 the two 23 together.</p> <p>24 Q. How long did that process just to 25 solve the manufacturing problems, how long 26 did 27 that take?</p> <p>28 A. About six months or so.</p> <p>29 Q. In 2008 when you were meeting 30 with 31 Proxy, did you know whether you could 32 even 33 manufacture the light weight mesh products 34 into 35 Uphold, did you know that when you were 36 sitting 37 523 38 with them in 2008?</p> <p>39 A. No, we didn't have that depth of 40 knowledge from back in 2008, and I may 41 have 42 commented earlier that we had the so-called 43 capability, and my perspective on that was at 44 a 45 high level. The knitting process was there, 46 and 47 we expected the processes that we had in 48 place 49 for standard to be -- the standard mesh 50 product 51 to be very similar, so that from that 52 perspective</p>	<p>522:2-522:2- FRE 401, 402, 403</p> <p>522:21- 523:12 FRE 401, 402, 403</p>	
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<p>10 we had our eyes on the general capability, but</p> <p>11 there was still a lot to be learned around design</p> <p>12 and verification and validation thereof.</p> <p>13 Q. If you could look at Exhibit 55.</p> <p>14 And yesterday the plaintiffs' lawyers asked you</p> <p>15 about the slide that ends in Bates No. 692.</p> <p>16 A. Yes.</p>		
<p>jg032913, (Page 524:10 to 524:23) 524</p> <p>10 Q. Does that mesh have a low weight, 11 is that a low weight mesh?</p> <p>12 A. It has low weight, yes, relative to 13 other meshes that were on the market when that</p> <p>14 was launched, yes.</p> <p>15 Q. Does it have a low surface area, 16 that mesh?</p> <p>17 A. Low surface area again relative to 18 other meshes that were on the market at the time</p> <p>19 it was launched.</p> <p>20 Q. And does that mesh used in the 21 Pinnacle and Uphold devices, is it large pore 22 size?</p> <p>23 A. Yes.</p>	<p>524:10-23 FRE 403</p>	
<p>jg032913, (Page 525:2 to 525:22) 525</p> <p>2 Q. I want to talk a little bit about 3 weight. At the time that Boston Scientific began</p> <p>4 marketing Pinnacle and Uphold back in 2008, was</p> <p>5 the mesh that was used in those devices, was that</p> <p>6 the heaviest mesh that was in a device to treat</p> <p>7 pelvic organ prolapse?</p> <p>8 A. No, no. The Ethicon or J&J 9 product, the Prolift, incorporated the Gynemesh</p> <p>10 which has a heavier weight that's around 50 grams</p> <p>11 per square meter versus the Polyform mesh that</p> <p>12 was at 40.</p> <p>13 Q. Would you characterize the mesh 14 that's used in the Pinnacle and Uphold devices as</p>	<p>525:13-22</p>	

<p>15 a heavy mesh?</p> <p>16 A. No.</p> <p>17 Q. Why not?</p> <p>18 A. No, because the -- that term is</p> <p>19 difficult to use in this because there's always</p> <p>20 that changing target, but relative to where</p> <p>21 mesh</p> <p>22 have changed over the years, we're</p> <p>definitely in</p> <p>that realm of a light weight mesh.</p>	<p>FRE 401, 402, 403, 701, 702</p>	
<p>jg032913, (Pages 526:5 to 527:16)</p> <p>526</p> <p>5 Q. And there's a chart that reflects</p> <p>6 the pore size on the Polyform mesh. Do you</p> <p>7 see</p> <p>8 that?</p> <p>9 A. Yes.</p> <p>10 Q. And the Polyform mesh is what's</p> <p>11 being designated there as the mesh that's in</p> <p>12 the</p> <p>13 Uphold and Pinnacle devices?</p> <p>14 A. Yes.</p> <p>15 Q. And it indicates there's a pore</p> <p>16 size of 1400. Do you see that?</p> <p>17 A. I do.</p> <p>18 Q. Is that a large pore size or a</p> <p>19 small pore size?</p> <p>20 A. That is considered a large pore,</p> <p>21 and I reference that back to a publication by</p> <p>22 a</p> <p>23 Dr. Amid talking about mesh characteristics</p> <p>24 where</p> <p>25 he was looking at mesh design, whether it</p> <p>26 has</p> <p>27 monofilament or multifilament and pore</p> <p>28 size, and</p> <p>29 this -- he was basing that upon what he had</p> <p>30 seen</p> <p>31 and studied with meshes and how they react,</p> <p>32 and</p> <p>527</p> <p>33 he characterized the larger pore as being</p> <p>34 greater</p> <p>35 than 75 microns.</p> <p>36 Q. We saw a reference to pore size in</p> <p>37 the FMEA that the plaintiffs' lawyers asked</p> <p>38 you</p> <p>39 questions about yesterday. Was pore size</p> <p>40 considered at the research and development</p> <p>41 stage?</p> <p>42 A. Yes, we have a pore size of greater</p>	<p>BSC has</p> <p>previously</p> <p>designated</p> <p>the same</p> <p>testimony.</p> <p>Plaintiffs</p> <p>adopt and</p> <p>incorporate</p> <p>any</p> <p>objections as</p> <p>set forth in</p> <p>their</p> <p>counter-</p> <p>designations,</p> <p>if any.</p>	<p>Plaintiffs adopt and</p> <p>incorporate their counter</p> <p>designations, if any.</p>

<p>8 than 500 microns indicated in our product</p> <p>9 specification.</p> <p>10 Q. And why did you set a pore size of</p> <p>11 greater than 500 microns as part of the</p> <p>12 product</p> <p>13 specification?</p> <p>14 A. It was based partly upon what we</p> <p>15 had read in the literature and looking to</p> <p>16 achieve</p> <p>17 the desired mesh properties overall, so</p> <p>18 maintain</p> <p>19 the strength but also a large pore</p> <p>20 configuration.</p>		
<p>jg032913, (Pages 529:15 to 530:12)</p> <p>529</p> <p>15 Q. She left out the e.g. Can you just</p> <p>16 read what the e.g. there says in parentheses?</p> <p>17 A. "Graft shrinkage associated with</p> <p>18 tissue incorporation and pore expansion."</p> <p>19 Q. And in terms of the comment</p> <p>20 about</p> <p>21 graft shrinkage in this paragraph of the</p> <p>22 patent</p> <p>23 and the other part of the patent, what are</p> <p>24 you</p> <p>25 referring to? When you say graft shrinkage</p> <p>26 in</p> <p>27 this context, what are you referring to?</p> <p>28 A. The graft shrinkage and my</p> <p>29 thoughts</p> <p>530</p> <p>1 around that was it's not the polypropylene</p> <p>2 material or the fiber that's changing its</p> <p>3 configuration. It's the tissues effect on that,</p> <p>4 the overall knit structure, that's causing</p> <p>5 some</p> <p>6 shapes to be changed.</p> <p>7 Q. And is that consistent with what</p> <p>8 you've stated in the patent?</p> <p>9 A. Yes.</p> <p>10 Q. And is that consistent with what</p> <p>11 you've told the ladies and gentlemen of the</p> <p>12 jury</p> <p>13 during your deposition over the last two</p> <p>14 days?</p> <p>15 A. Yes.</p>		<p>jg032913, (Page 395:16 to 395:23)</p> <p>395</p> <p>16 Q. (By Ms. Copeland)</p> <p>17 Mr. Goddard, you</p> <p>18 have had an opportunity</p> <p>19 now to review Exhibit No.</p> <p>20 61, right?</p> <p>21 A. Yes.</p> <p>22 Q. And this is</p> <p>23 some literature. It's</p> <p>24 a study by Dr. Donald</p> <p>25 Ostergard, correct?</p> <p>26 MR. ANIELAK:</p> <p>27 Object to the form.</p> <p>28 A. It's a summary</p> <p>29 of information.</p> <p>jg032913, (Pages 398:23 to 399:3)</p> <p>398</p> <p>23 Let me go back to the left-</p> <p>24 hand</p> <p>25 side, the bottom. It says,</p> <p>26 "In 1998 Klinge</p> <p>27 399</p> <p>28 1 reported shrinkage of 30</p> <p>29 percent to 50 percent</p> <p>30 2 after four weeks." Do</p> <p>31 you see that?</p> <p>32 A. Yes.</p> <p>jg032913, (Page 399:8 to 399:21)</p> <p>399</p> <p>8 Do you believe that there's</p> <p>9 shrinkage associated at</p> <p>10 30 percent to 50 percent</p>

		<p>10 after four weeks of implantation of pelvic mesh 11 devices?</p> <p>12 MR. ANIELAK: Object to the form.</p> <p>13 A. The tissue is what's shrinking.</p> <p>14 It's not the mesh that's shrinking, and I 15 don't -- from this statement we don't know what 16 product he's talking about, so there's not much 17 information there.</p> <p>18 Q. You said something interesting. It 19 is your testimony that the mesh doesn't shrink, 20 that's your testimony?</p> <p>21 A. Yes, it's the tissue that shrinks</p> <p>jg032913, (Pages 547:20 to 550:5)</p> <p>547</p> <p>20 Q. And in that paragraph I've 21 highlighted what you read. It says -- the last 22 sentence, the last part of the sentence it says, 23 "e.g. graft shrinkage associated with tissue 24 incorporation and pore expansion." Do you</p> <p>548</p> <p>1 remember that?</p> <p>2 A. Yes.</p> <p>3 Q. And the point of them having you 4 read that was so you could try to establish that 5 the mesh itself doesn't shrink. That's your 6 point, that's what you think, right?</p> <p>7 MR. ANIELAK: Form.</p> <p>8 A. The polypropylene material itself,</p>
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		<p>9 like the strands, are not reducing in length at</p> <p>10 all, no.</p> <p>11 Q. And that's what you believe,</p> <p>12 correct?</p> <p>13 A. Yes.</p> <p>14 Q. All right. But what happens is is</p> <p>15 the product itself and the inflammatory response</p> <p>16 caused by your product causes the shrinkage,</p> <p>17 right, that's what you believe?</p> <p>18 A. The tissue reaction, the way the</p> <p>19 tissue forms around the mesh can lead to that,</p> <p>20 yes.</p> <p>21 Q. It can lead to a shrinkage of</p> <p>22 somewhere between 30 to 50 percent. Do you</p> <p>23 believe that?</p> <p>24 MR. ANIELAK: Form.</p> <p>549</p> <p>1 A. I know that there are shrinkage</p> <p>2 rates out there. I'm not that well acquainted</p> <p>3 with them.</p> <p>4 Q. Well, you've seen the literature</p> <p>5 that was on the board this morning from the</p> <p>6 medical literature I think that you saw. Do you</p> <p>7 recall that?</p> <p>8 A. I've seen a lot of different data.</p> <p>9 I don't exactly know the numbers but.</p> <p>10 Q. I will get it back out for you, but</p> <p>11 the data said 30 to 50 percent shrinkage, I</p> <p>12 believe. Do you recall that?</p>
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		<p>13 MR. ANIELAK: Form.</p> <p>14 A. It may be. I would have to look at 15 it again.</p> <p>16 Q. Do you think that that presents a 17 problem for the women who this is implanted in?</p> <p>18 A. I would ask you to speak to the 19 medical people more specifically about that. For 20 a physician to categorize if that is a problem 21 what level of shrinking would be a problem versus 22 not.</p> <p>23 Q. Does Boston Scientific care about 24 that?</p> <p>550</p> <p>1 MR. ANIELAK: Form.</p> <p>2 A. We have -- we recognize that as a 3 potential complication and include that in our 4 instructions for use for the device, so they 5 recognize that as an outcome potentially.</p>
<p>jg032913, (Pages 530:13 to 531:12)</p> <p>530</p> <p>13 Q. In general when you're involved 14 with designing and developing products like 15 Pinnacle or Uphold, what is the focus, what are 16 you trying to achieve when you're involved in 17 that process?</p> <p>18 A. We are listening to the customer, 19 so we're basically getting feedback or input from 20 physicians on device design, and we are looking 21 to incorporate what they see as user interface 22 values in their patient safety aspects into these</p>		

<p>23 designs, and that's evident in the Pinnacle and 24 Uphold design where we moved away from this blind</p> <p>531</p> <p>1 trocar passage to the single incision Capiro. So 2 we're offering the customer an option to a 3 surgical procedure looking to incorporate their 4 input into that.</p> <p>5 Q. Do you believe that Boston 6 Scientific's devices, the medical devices that 7 you've been involved with like Pinnacle and 8 Uphold and Solyx, are safe?</p> <p>9 A. I do.</p> <p>10 Q. Do you believe that those products 11 are effective options for doctors?</p> <p>12 A. I do.</p>	<p>531:5-12 FRE 401, 402, 403, 701, 702</p>	
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1. Counter Exhibits to Counter Exhibits

- a. Goddard 61
- b. Plaintiffs adopt and incorporate the exhibits designated in their counter designations for this witness.

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